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: NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROCHEMICAL CELLS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicants elect the Group I claims (1-46), without traverse.

Applicants also elect species 2 (first and second salts, and Al-surface) with traverse. The Examiner contends that "no claim appears to be generic for species 1-5." Applicants disagree. Claim 1 requires an electrolyte containing a specific salt and an aluminum surface. The phrase "electrolyte containing" used in introducing the salt is open ended. Focusing on the elected species 2, claim 1 is generic for the species and covers a battery including an electrolyte containing both the specific salt recited in claim 1 and a second salt. Applicants believe that at least claims 1-28 and 31-46 encompass the elected species.

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